

PARKER-HANNIFIN CORPORATION

Docket No. 2802-205-004

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

ORIGINAL APPLICATION

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

PILOT OPERATED VALVE WITH VARIABLE PISTON ORIFICE

the specification of which

- ☒ [X] is attached hereto.
- ☐ [] was filed on _____ and accorded
Serial Number _____.
- ☐ [] and was amended on _____
(if applicable)

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

We hereby claim benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of United States Provisional Application No. 60/424,120 filed on November 5, 2002.

We hereby appoint the following as attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application, and any international applications relating thereto, and to transact all business (including making and receiving payments on our behalf) in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and before all competent International Authorities connected therewith:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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